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SUBJ: CHRISTMAS AMNESTY FOR MINOR CRIMINALS ONLY

REF: SANTIAGO 6123

1. DECREE LAW 213 PUBLISHED IN DIARIO OFICIAL DEC 24 PROVIDED AMNESTY FOR PERSONS CONVICTED FOR FIRST TIME FOR RELATIVELY MINOR OFFENSES AND WHO ARE UNDER SENTENCES OF NO MORE THAN THREE YEARS IMPRISONMENT. REDUCTIONS OF PENALTIES ALSO PROVIDED FOR SOME CATEGORIES OF PERSONS SERVING LONGER TERMS. SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED WERE PERSONS CONVICTED OF SUCH CRIMES AS MURDER, VIOLENT ROBBERY, AND DRUG TRAFFICKING.
 2. CONTRARY TO PRESS SPECULATIONS REPORTED REFTTEL, NO RPT NO AMNESTY PROVIDED FOR "POLITICAL PRISONERS." DECREE EXCLUDES PERSONS CHARGED WITH OR CONVICTED OF OFFENSES AGAINST STATE, INFRACTIONS OF CODE MILITARY JUSTICE, OR ARMS CONTROL LAW, THUS EFFECTIVELY EXEMPTING FROM AMNESTY FORMER UP LEADERS NOW UNDER DETENTION AS WELL AS POLITICAL "EXTREMISTS," TERRORISTS, ETC.
 3. DECREE ITSELF AND SPARSE PRESS COMMENTARY PRESENTS AMNESTY MAINLY AS PART OF EFFORT AT PENAL REFORM. ON DEC 26 ONE PAPER SPECULATED THAT "BETWEEN 20 AND 30" INMATES
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